

WASHINGTON CENTER SPECIAL

#4 O. Jones Street
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GRADES	K-12 High School	
ENROLLMENT	119 Students	
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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

2004

ABSOLUTE RATING:

N/A

Absolute Ratings of High Schools with Students like Ours

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	Unsatisfactory
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

IMPROVEMENT RATING:

N/A

ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS:

N/A

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

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PERFORMANCE TRENDS OVER 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
2001	N/A	N/A	N/A
2002	N/A	N/A	N/A
2003	N/A	N/A	N/A
2004	N/A	N/A	N/A

DEFINITIONS OF DISTRICT RATING TERMS

- Excellent - District performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Good - District performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Average - District performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Below Average - District is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Unsatisfactory - District performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE: SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our School			High Schools with Students Like Ours		
Percent	2004	2005	2006	2004	2005	2006
Passed 2 subtests	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Passed 1 subtest	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Passed no subtests	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

EXIT EXAM PASSAGE RATE BY SPRING 2004

	Our School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Percent	N/A	N/A

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIP

Percent of	Our School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships at four-year institutions*	N/A	N/A
Seniors who met the SAT/ACT requirement	N/A	N/A
Seniors who met the grade point average	N/A	N/A

*Using only the SAT/ACT and grade point average requirements

GRADUATION RATE

	Our School	High Schools with Students Like Ours
Number of Students	N/A	N/A
Number of Diplomas	N/A	N/A
Rate	N/A	N/A

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2004		Eligibility for LIFE Scholarship		Graduation Rate		
	n	%	n	%	n	%	Met State Objective
All Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Gender							
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Racial/Ethnic Group							
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
African-American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Racial/Ethnic Group							
Non disabled	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Disabilities other than speech	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Migrant Status							
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Non-migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
English Proficiency							
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Non-Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Socio-Economic Status							
Subsidized meals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Full-pay meals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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HSAP PERFORMANCE BY GROUP

	<i>Enrollment 1st Day of Testing</i>	<i>% Tested</i>	<i>% Below Basic</i>	<i>% Basic</i>	<i>% Proficient</i>	<i>% Advanced</i>	<i>% Proficient and Advanced (adj.)</i>	<i>Performance Objective Met</i>	<i>Participation Objective Met</i>
English/Language Arts - State Performance Objective = 33.3%									
All Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Gender									
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Racial/Ethnic Group									
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
African-American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Disability Status									
Not Disabled	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Disabled	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Migrant Status									
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Non-Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
English Proficiency									
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Non-Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Socio-Economic Status									
Subsidized meals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Full-pay meals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Mathematics - State Performance Objective = 30.0%									
All Students	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Gender									
Male	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Female	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Racial/Ethnic Group									
White	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
African-American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Asian/Pacific Islander	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
American Indian/Alaskan	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Disability Status									
Not Disabled	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Disabled	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Migrant Status									
Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Non-Migrant	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
English Proficiency									
Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Non-Limited English Proficient	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Socio-Economic Status									
Subsidized meals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Full-pay meals	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

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DEFINITION OF ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

As required by the United States Department of Education, adequate yearly progress specifies that the statewide target is met for All Students and for the following subgroups: Racial/Ethnic, Subsidized Meals, Disability, and Limited English Proficiency.

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n= 119)				
Retention rate	11.0%	N/A	13.7%	9.1%
Attendance rate	89.7%	N/A	95.2%	96.0%
Eligible for gifted and talented	0.0%	N/A	3.3%	5.8%
With disabilities other than speech	100.0%	N/A	17.4%	12.7%
Older than usual for grade	19.3%	N/A	18.6%	9.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	N/R	0.8%	1.6%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	0.0%	N/R	4.1%	10.2%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/AV		10.2%	53.8%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	N/A	2.5%	2.7%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	N/A	N/A	4.5%	3.6%
Enrollment in career/technology center courses	N/A	N/A	274	466
Students participating in worked-based experiences	N/A	N/A	22.9%	25.7%
Career/technology students mastering core competencies	N/A	N/A	63.4%	77.7%
Career/technology completers placed	N/A	N/A	97.0%	99.3%
Teachers (n= 23)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	47.8%	N/A	47.4%	52.0%
Continuing contract teachers	82.6%	N/A	76.0%	82.1%
Highly qualified teachers**	95.0%	N/A	85.5%	89.5%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	10.5%		13.3%	8.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.2%	N/A	80.0%	86.2%
Teacher attendance rate	94.6%	N/R	94.6%	95.3%
Average teacher salary	\$42,366	I/S	\$39,755	\$41,060
Prof. development days/teacher	11.2 days	N/R	12.3 days	10.6 days
School				
Principal's years at school	7.0	N/R	2.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	7.0 to 1	N/R	18.6 to 1	26.4 to 1
Prime instructional time	83.1%	N/R	87.3%	90.0%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$22,076	N/A	\$7,784	\$6,310
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	63.9%	N/A	56.8%	57.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/R	Good	Excellent
Parents attending conferences	87.4%	N/R	79.9%	89.3%
SACS accreditation	No	N/R	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	N/A	Average	Good

* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

	Our District	State
Highly qualified teachers in low poverty schools**	93.2%	92.0%
Highly qualified teachers in high poverty schools**	93.7%	91.1%
	State Objective	Met State Objective
Highly qualified teachers in this school**	65.0%	Yes
Student attendance in this school	95.3%	No

**NOTE: The verification process was not completed for the year reported; therefore the count of highly qualified teachers may not be accurate.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Washington Center, located in Greenville, South Carolina, is a separate school that serves students district-wide who have moderate and severe mental disabilities. Many of the students have concurrent disabilities such as blindness, deafness, speech deficits, motor impairments, physical disabilities, etc. Students are served from throughout the district and special transportation is provided. Staffing committees that are comprised of parents, administrators, classroom teachers, therapists, psychologists and other individuals perceived to have knowledge of the educational needs of students, develop individualized educational programs and make recommendations for placement at Washington Center.

Students in grades K through 12, ages 5 to 21, attend Washington Center. During the school year 2003-2004, Washington Center served 119 students with 17 classroom teachers, 1 homebound teacher and 37 para-educators. Support staff includes: a work adjustment specialist and a daily living instructor as well as art, music and adapted physical education teachers, three administrators, a media specialist, physical, occupational and speech therapists, office personnel, custodial and cafeteria staff, a registered nurse, two licensed practitioners and an orderly. Vision and hearing services are available on an itinerant basis for qualifying students. The physical facility housing Washington Center has 17 classrooms, a multi-sensory room, a gymnasium, a library, art and music classrooms, a hortithrapy center and greenhouse, a daily living classroom and apartment, and a speech lab. Students have access to the State Curriculum through the PACT-Alternate and High School-Alternate Assessments.

The school offers many specialized programs; the Mobility Opportunities Via Education (M.O.V.E.), a comprehensive augmentative communication and assistive technology program, a hortithrapy and daily living program. Adapted Physical education is also offered. All programs are tailored to meet the individual need. Staff believes that "Those You Think Cannot... Can!" The mission of the school is to provide opportunities for students to explore and develop potential for independent functioning and community involvement by addressing students' individual needs and creating a partnership with home, school, and community. Mrs. Ann Poole is our current principal. Mrs. Angela Fender served as our 2003-2004 School Improvement Council Chairman.

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	15	0	7
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	N/R	I/S
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	86.7%	N/R	I/S
Percent satisfied with home-school relations	80.0%	N/R	I/S

*Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade 11, only the highest grade was included.